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North Dakota
Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS REMEMBRANCE DAY
OCTOBER 15, 2009

WHEREAS, each year, approximately one million pregnancies in the United States end in miscarriage, stillbirth or the death of a newborn baby; and

WHEREAS, it is a great tragedy to lose the life of a child; and

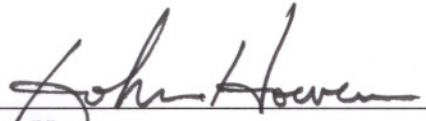
WHEREAS, even the shortest lives are valuable, and the grief of those who mourn the loss of these lives should be remembered by a compassionate public; and

WHEREAS, the observance of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day may provide comfort to those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth or other complications; and

WHEREAS, recognizing Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day enables us to consider how, as individuals and communities, we can help meet the needs of bereaved mothers, fathers and family members, and work to prevent the causes of these deaths; and


WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to observe this day with appropriate compassion, programs and activities, and to remember the lives that have been lost and the families who mourn them.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 15, 2009, **PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS REMEMBRANCE DAY** in the state of North Dakota.



John Hoeven
Governor

ATTEST:



Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State